

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

BECKER et al.

Confirmation No.: 8310

Application No.: 09/424,660

Group Art Unit: 1762

Filed: January 27, 2000

Examiner: K. Bareford

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CONTROLLING
THICKNESS DURING SPIN COATING (AS AMENDED)

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September 23, 2002

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 8, 2002, the period for reply being extended by a Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 16, 21-23 and 26 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter amended claims 14, 24, 25, 27 and 28 as follows:

14. (Twice Amended) A method of bonding a first planar substrate to a second planar substrate by a bonding material in the form of a viscous fluid, comprising:
- pumping the viscous fluid with a dosing pump to a dosing arm connected to the dosing pump and positioned over the first substrate;
 - forming a layer of the viscous fluid on the first substrate by dosing the first substrate with viscous fluid from the dosing arm;

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